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TRANSISTOR CONTAINING AT
LEAST ONE SILICON CARBIDE
LAYER"

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) Prior Examiner: ECKERT II, GEORGE C.

) FIRST PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

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Please amend the above-identified patent application as follows:

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 5 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 12 of this paper.